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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, MOPS, PDEV, RH, MZ

SUBJECT: RHODESIA: PRESS ACCOUNT OF MILITARY BUILD-UP

AGAINST RHODESIA

1. A LOCAL AFRIKAANS DAILY REPORTED ON FEBRUARY 22 THAT A BIG OFFENSIVE BUILD-UP WAS UNDERWAY IN MOZAMBIQUE AIMED AT STRIKING RHODESIA. REPORTEDLY 500 CUBAN TROOPS, INCLUDING PILOTS, AND SEVERAL RUSSIAN TECHNICAL ADVISORS WERE NOW IN THE COUNTRY. THE MOZAMBIKAN AIR FORCE WAS BEING REVAMPED TO TAKE AWAY RHODESIAN AIR SUPERIORITY AND AN AIR BASE, DESCRIBED AS THE BIGGEST ONE ON THE EAST COAST OF AFRICA, WAS BEING BUILD NORTHWEST OF BEIRA.

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2. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED SEVERAL PRESS INQUIRIES PROMPTED BY THIS REPORT. WE HAVE RESPONDED THAT WE HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH ACTIVITY.

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